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## Honorable Sir:

This is a reply to the Office Action dated January 24, 2006 regarding the above-identified patent application. Claims 1-20 are pending in the application. Currently, Claims 1-20 have been rejected.

The <u>Current Status of the Claims</u> is reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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